

Ad-hoc Agricultural Assessment Work Group

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Meeting Minutes June 5, 2013 NRD Conference Room

1. The meeting was called to order at 10am.
2. Committee members: Alan Proctor (AP), Doug Craven (DC), John Keshick (J K) and Regina Brubaker-Carver (RBC) were present. Renee Dillard, Kevin Gasco and Michele Keshick were absent.

Legislative Branch Staff: Michael Garrow-LTBB Treasury Director Michele LaCount Office Manager

Guests: Julianne Michaels-Petoskey District Library Local Food Alliance Support Group, Josh Graybiel-Youth Conservation Corp

3. Old Action Items-No updates
4. Minutes – Draft AAWG February 4, 2013, March 6, 2013, May 8, 2013 meeting minutes. No action taken.
5. New Business
 - a. Julianne Michaels-discussed a seed bank, Larry Dryer Seed Library based on trust, check-out-a-pack.
 - i. RBC-Chippewa Bear Paw popcorn-Heritage Seeds 5th year of tomato seeds, Autumn Hill refill packet and bring back to the library. No GMO – contact person. Diane Hargo and Julianne Michaels @ local food alliance gave a bunch of corn to Eric Henemway (Guadalajara dry, **con?**, grind. Oneida White –JK & **RG (who is this?)**)
 - ii. DC –Seed saving workshop, corn grinding work shop
 - iii. JM- Reg-late July seed saver work shop.

(side note?): 1/25/13 Kevin Gasco (KG) to talk with Barb & MSUE

- b. Roto tiller & trailer-not for use openly. Limited to people this year. JK – discussion regarding asparagus, radishes, strawberries, tomatoes.
 - i. Tiller and plants (send trailer wheel to RB online)
Michelle Keshick (MK) budget for tiller soil sample-MSUE? \$10
Josh-Natural Resources-YCC
RBC –Check with plates

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- c. Green House
 - i. Starter plants – out there
50-cents each-tomatoes
{ Cherokee Purple, Gold Medal, Brandywine, Jalapeno, Red Bell Peppers }
Plant in Greenhouse-7 beds, 2-3 popcorn, 1-bed Education, 3-Natural Resource Department-Youth CC
*Place strawberries, flowers to encourage root growth this year.
 - ii. Greenhouse layout
Strawberry tower – trellises – vertical

Sue Gasco – email soil – next week filling beds (5-yards total).

- iii. Operation goals – 2013.
Beds, starter plants, produce
Motor & electriction, DC/JG – pole & meter placement, contracts in place.
- d. Murray Rd. – corn planting.
Nothing from Executive on request in by the 7th June, 2013.
 - Accounting sitting on contract enhancement. (Mandy, Carrie, Cheryl, Mel)Treaty Enhancement.
- e. FRTEP - Meeting discussion.

6. Follow up reports

- 7. a. Potential funding opps – Indian Land Capital company
RBC-Soil
MG-Follow up – ILCC
DC-USDA Prgram – send info on legal form service agency, new former program
RBC-Youth farm stand-Karen Kay
Natural Resource Department Community Service
Tribal Businesses – OFI, Biindigen, 8-18 yrs
Farm to pick them man the stand.

JK-Strothers Rd., to his farm, Burges & Stold Rd. (aerial) Mini Tribal Kids Farm under FRTEP. Future Farmers of America and 4-H Kids.

Youth CC – starts Monday

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4-H – Goal is to get own Program. Start Process Mid-August put out request.

8. Next Meeting – June 24, 2013 LTBB NRD Conference Room.

9. Adjournment